

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1805
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PHOTO IDENTITY CARDS TO VOTERS
CHINTAMAN NAVSHA WANAGA;PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI

Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of voters in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of voters who have been issued photo-identity cards in the country, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Union Government have released 50% of the total cost incurred by the various States for the purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a)&(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(c) & (d) The scheme of electors' photo identity cards is being implemented by the State Governments/Union territory Administrations directly under overall charge of the Election Commission of India. The Central Government's role is limited to reimbursement of their share on 50:50 basis as and when the same is claimed by them. A sum of Rs.419,45,61,710/- has been released by the Central Government to the States/Union territories specifically for expenditure on the scheme of electors' Photo Identity Cards so far since 1994-95.